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SUBJECT:KAGNEW

REF: ADDIS 6053

1. FOLLOWING PROVIDED FOR EMBASSY USE IN CASE FORMIN AGAIN
RAISES QUESTION OF FUTURE U.S. TENURE AT KAGNEW.

2. EMBASSY CORRECT IN INTERPRETATION OF 1973 JOINTLY
AGREED ANNOUNCEMENT ON KAGNEW PHASE-DOWN. NO DATE
PLANNED THEN OR NOW FOR COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL. THIS
STRESSED TO KIFLE AND MINASSIE HAILE DURING DRAFTING
OF ANNOUNCEMENT. FYI. NAVY DOES NOT SEE NEED FOR KAGNEW
BEYOND LATE 1970'S, BUT FOR NOW HAS SET NO SPECIFIC DATE
FOR WITHDRAWAL. END FYI.

3. AS FOR BASIC 1953 KAGNEW AGREEMENT, IT HAS NO FIXED
EXPIRATION DATE. LIFE OF AGREEMENT INDEFINITE UNLESS
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SPECIFICALLY TERMINATED BY EITHER PARTY UPON ONE YEAR'S

NOTIFICATION AFTER MAY 1978. EARLIEST TERMINAL DATE WOULD
BE MAY 1979.

4. IF FONMIN RAISES FUTURE NEED FOR KAGNEW, DRAWING ON
ABOVE YOU CAN SIMPLY INDICATE WE HAVE NO DEFINITE PLANS FOR

COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL AT THIS TIME. INGERSOLL

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